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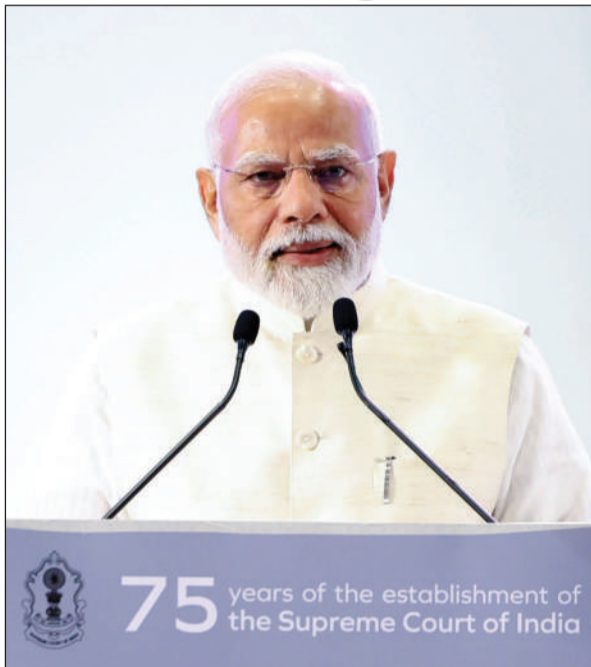
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PM bats for speedy justice in cases of crime against women

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi Saturday underlined the need for swift justice in cases involving crime against women and said that it will give them greater assurance of their safety.
His remarks come against the backdrop of the rape and murder of a Kolkata doctor and sexual assault on two kindergarten girls in Maharashtra's Thane.
Modi also said the judiciary is considered a guardian of the Constitution, and that the Supreme Court and the judiciary have lived up to the responsibility.
Addressing the inaugural session of a national conference of the district judiciary in the presence of Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud, Modi referred to the "burning issue" of atrocities against women and safety of children and said it was a matter of serious concern.



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greater assurance half of the population will have about their safety," he said.
The district monitoring committees, comprising the district judge, the district magistrate and the superintendent of police, can play a key role, he said.
Pointing to the important role of the panel in coordinating between various aspects of the criminal justice system, Modi stressed on the need to make these committees more active.
The Kolkata incident has also become a flashpoint between the TMC government in West Bengal and the BJP-led NDA government at the Centre.
On Friday, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee wrote to Modi, reiterating her request for stringent central legislation and exemplary punishment on heinous crimes like rape and murder.

Revenue official arrested over bribery
STATE TIMES NEWS
RAMBAN: A revenue official was arrested after he was allegedly caught taking a bribe of Rs 40,000 in the Ramban district on Saturday, an official of the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) said.
Farooq Ahmad, who was posted as Girdawar Sanasar, was trapped following a complaint lodged by a person alleging that the official

Rahul will address two rallies in J&K on Sep 4
STATE TIMES NEWS
ANANTNAG: Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi will address two election rallies in Jammu and Kashmir on September 4 to campaign for the candidates of the NC-Congress alliance, a senior Congress leader said on Saturday.
The Senior Congress leader said that

"Modi brought new dawn in J&K" BJP leads movement to empower, defend people's rights: Reddy

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Union Minister for Coal and Mines, G. Kishan Reddy, who is also BJP's election in-charge for J&K elections, on Saturday described the ongoing assembly polls as "a movement for the people" as the BJP continues its efforts to redefine the future of Jammu and Kashmir.
Addressing an 'energized crowd' in support of party candidate from Jammu West Arvind Gupta, the Union Minister reaffirmed that J&K remains the heartbeat of India, and the party's vision for its people reflects the legacy of Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, who established the party with the aim to protect J&K from dynastic rule and divisive politics.
Reddy reminded the gathering of the BJP's historic opposition to Article 370, dating back to the founding of the party. He paid homage



to the sacrifices made by leaders like Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, who gave their lives for the cause of "Ek Nishan, Ek Vidhan, Ek Pradhan" (One Flag, One Constitution, One Head). He noted that the 2019 abrogation of Article 370 marked a turning point in the BJP's

Haryana assembly polls now on Oct 5: EC Counting of votes in J&K, Haryana on Oct 8

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: The Election Commission on Saturday deferred the Haryana assembly poll date to October 5 from October 1, saying the decision was taken keeping in mind a centuries-old festival of the Bishnoi community.
The counting of votes for Jammu and Kashmir and Haryana assembly polls will now be held on October 8 instead of October 4, the poll body said.
It has been a practice of the EC to hold the counting of votes on the same day for assemblies which go to polls together as the results of one state could affect trends in others.
Before the revision of the date, the Haryana polls were to be held along with the third and last phase of the

Jammu and Kashmir elections.
The decision to postpone the Haryana elections has been taken to honour both the voting rights and traditions of the Bishnoi community which has upheld a 300-400-year-old practice in remembrance of their Guru Jambheshwar, the EC said.
It said it had received a representation from the national president of the All India Bishnoi Mahasabha, Bikaner, Rajasthan for rescheduling the Haryana assembly elections.
He said generations of families from Punjab, Rajasthan and Haryana visit their native village Mukam in Rajasthan on 'amavas' in the month of 'Asoj' for the annual festival in Bikaner in the memory of Guru

Farooq Abdullah's Unity & Diversity remark falls flat when he talks about Pakistan, ISI: Chugh "NC's unity talks just filmi drama"

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Tarun Chugh, BJP National General Secretary and Incharge for J&K and Ladakh, on Saturday slammed Farooq Abdullah's recent comments on unity and diversity, especially in light of discussions involving Pakistan.
In a statement, Chugh condemned the sudden shift in the National Conference's rhetoric as mere political gimmick.
Chugh stated, "We call on the JKNC's Abdullahs to go beyond empty rhetoric and take tangible steps towards building a unified and integrated nation. Mere grandstanding and empty promises will not achieve

BJP won't allow NC, Congress to push J&K back into era of violence, bloodshed
JAMMU: Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP) National General Secretary Tarun Chugh on Saturday said that National Conference (NC) and Congress are conspiring to push Jammu and Kashmir back to an era of violence, bloodshed and anarchy where people were denied their rights and youngsters were made to pelt stones and faced an uncertain future and were disillusioned.
Addressing a joint meeting of party workers and leaders besides party candidates of eight assembly segments at BJP headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, Chugh said the manifesto of National Conference, over which Congress has maintained a criminal silence, says that it will bring controversial Article 370 back which means rights of West Pakistan refugees, women of Jammu and Kashmir, Valmiki samaj and Gorkha will again be snatched.
The meeting was also addressed by former Deputy CM Kavinder



this; we need real results and sincere efforts."
Chugh said it was "ironic" for them to seek to be seen as champions of unity. He added that

Matador turns turtle, girl student dies Wife dies, husband injured in Doda mishap

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Two persons were killed and nine injured in separate road accidents in Jammu and Doda districts on Saturday, police said.
A student, Surbhi Kumari (18), was killed and eight other passengers, including six girls, were injured when a rashly driven minibus turned turtle and collided with a car at the Kunjwani bypass. The students were headed to school, they said.
Both the vehicles suffered extensive damage. The injured were taken to the hospital and the condition of two of them was stated to be serious, according to the officials.
In the second incident, a car plunged into a gorge near Malhori village in Doda district, killing

Govts must protect every religion: Farooq

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: India is known for unity in diversity and governments must protect every religion, National Conference (NC) president Farooq Abdullah said here on Saturday, a day after the Assam Assembly scrapped a two-hour 'Namaz' break provided to Muslim legislators on Fridays.
Abdullah said nothing is permanent and things will change when the time comes.
Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma had said on Friday that the state assembly would discontinue the two-hour break provided on Fridays to facilitate Muslim legislators to offer 'namaz'.
The rule will be implemented

from the next session.
"This country is known for unity in diversity. We have every religion and every language, be it Tamil Nadu, Kashmir, Bengal or Maharashtra," any state, every state has a different culture and that is why India is a federal structure and we have to protect every religion.
"When the time comes, it will change. Nothing is permanent. Good things will prevail again. We will

Two more leaders quit BJP over selection of candidates for J&K Assembly polls
STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Two more BJP leaders, including a district president, submitted their resignations from the primary membership of the party on Saturday, citing their resentment against the choice of candidates in their constituencies for the Assembly polls in

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Humidity
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